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Solid Plating Material and the Solid Plating  
Material Manufactured by the Method**

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**Preliminary Amendment**

Dear Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.